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City holds public forum to present Annual Action Plan funding recommendations

INDIANAPOLIS - The City of Indianapolis, Department of Metropolitan Development (DMD), will present funding recommendations for the city's \$17.4 million in U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant and entitlement funds. The general public is encouraged to attend and will have the opportunity to comment on the Action Plan.

WHEN: October 17, 2002
 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: City-County Building, Room 242
 200 E. Washington

In order to receive HUD funding, the city is required to develop a Consolidated Plan, a five-year strategy that identifies affordable housing and community development initiatives in Marion County. The city is also required to develop an Annual Action Plan, which is a yearly update to the consolidated plan.

Earlier this year, the city held seven public meetings to collect public input on how HUD grant dollars and entitlement funds should be prioritized. These priorities were used to establish criterion for the application process.

In July, the city began collecting applications from local non-profit organizations that focus on repairing affordable housing, supporting emergency shelters, promoting economic development initiatives, aiding the homeless, and providing additional support services to low and moderate-income households and individuals.

The city will collect public input on the Action Plan through November 13, 2002. The draft plan is also available online at www.indygov.org/CDFS.

After the public comment period, the city will present the Action Plan to the City-County Council and to HUD for final approval.

